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Commissioner Jane Henney
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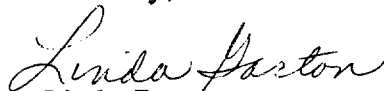
Dear Commissioner Henney:

It has bothered me a long time to know that otherwise safe food contains antibiotics. I cannot afford organic or hormone/antibiotic free meat, poultry and vegetables, so must make do with what my local market sells.

With fewer and fewer effective antibiotics these days, I think we have to be very careful in this area. I strongly recommend that you ban the use of medically useful antibiotics in all animal/poultry feed. I don't want to get a serious infection, only to be told by my doctor that there is no antibiotic available to treat it. Heightened animal/poultry growth at the expense of human lives hardly seems worth it.

Please do all you can to ban antibiotics that doctors use in treating humans from being used in animal/poultry feed.

Sincerely,


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